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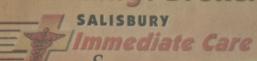
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### SPD faces lawsuit brought by students and locals

BY SHANNON WILEY News Editor

The Salisbury Police Department and an SPD officer are being sued for using excessive force by a group of three Salisbury University students, as well as a boy and his aunt in two different occasions in May and Au-

Both suits are being filed by Salisbury attorney Luke Rommel.

The first suit involves alumni Curtis Adams, Travis Guthrie and senior Abdi Geleta who were arrested in May; Adams was arrested for alleged disorderly conduct while Guthrie and Geleta were charged with allegedly obstructing and hindering a police officer.

In both cases the arresting officer was Of-

"My question that I've never had answered is what were they obstructing and what did

they hinder," Rommel asked.

After being arrested, the plaintiffs were detained and jailed for nearly 24 hours.

"There was no lawful, reasonable or apparent reason for the Plaintiffs' seizure, detention, arrest or the use of police force that was inflicted upon them, other than the fact they were targeted as Salisbury University students," the plaintiffs' lawsuit states.

According to Aita's statement in the police report, SPD officers were called to the area for a fight at the Monkey Barrel late one night. When Aita arrived at the scene along with other officers, he saw that there was no fight, but a crowd of 30-40 people standing in the Pat's Pizzeria parking lot down the street from Monkey Barrel. Aita told them to "start heading home."

According to Aita's statement, while most fulfilled his request to leave, Adams began to yell and scream. Aita allegedly gave Adams a



Rommel submitted photo Adams was arrested shortly before he graduated from SU in May of 2014.

"lawful order" to leave the area and Adams began to leave, but then turned back and started yelling and screaming while 30-40 people stood by watching.

Aita stated in his report that Adams ignored his orders to stop, so he arrested him for disorderly conduct and Adams apparently resis-

"Officer Horengic and I used enough force necessary to affect the arrest," Aita said in his

According to Aita, after he arrested Adams, Aita told onlookers standing close to officers to back up and leave, but neither Guthrie nor Geleta complied and "were extremely close to officers and began to make them fear that they would begin fighting them."

Both Guthrie and Geleta were in the first row of people and videotaping the arrest on

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# Sharks Win



Jenna Brown photo

The Salisbury Sharks fight the UMBC Golden Retrievers for the ball. The Sharks came out victorious 29-17.

The Men's rugby team won their season opener against the University of Maryland - Baltimore County on Saturday

See Salisbury Sharks dominate UMBC in home opener on Pg. 9

### New bike sharing program proposed to SGA for SU campus

BY CHRIS KRAUSS Editorial Editor

A new program called Social Bicycles was proposed to Salisbury University's Student Government Association on Sept. 7th as a new way for students to get around campus

"This program is very interesting and unique, and has great potential to be implemented here at SU," SGA parliamentarian Tyler Gibson said.

The idea was proposed to SGA by Campus Sustainability and Environmental Safety Director Wayne Shelton, Bike SBY Head Matt Drew and College Scooters Co-Founder John Churchman. The program is a modified version of bike renting services that are now used in major cities like Washington D.C., Philadelphia, Pennsylvania and New York City, New York.

In typical bike sharing systems, users swipe a credit card in order to use bikes, but if Social Bicycles was brought to SU, it would work on a subscription system where students would pay a set fee every semester. Students who do subscribe could take bikes from one hub to another on campus, from hubs on campus to off-campus co-operating businesses or student housing areas.

"It would benefit students who live off campus by giving them an alternative way to get to campus rather than driving and struggling to find a parking spot, or having to wait for the shuttle and risk being late to class," Gibson

Social Bicycles can be used on a walk-up basis, but can also be reserved online or from the Social Bicycle mobile

Using the app, riders can map out routes and share routes and statistics such as miles traveled, CO2 reduced, calories burned, and money saved versus driving.

"I think it's a good idea because students can save money and it's a great way to exercise" sophomore Mahlat Bekele

These bikes also come with a front basket which can hold up to 20 pounds, an automatic front and rear LED light and a GPS enabled lock and integrated computer.

'I really like this idea because it saves kids from having to worry about getting their bike stolen," senior Morgan Cavanaugh said. "If one of these gets stolen, there is a GPS so it is easier to find."

Some students are not as optimistic about Social Bicycles. "I foresee a lot of people using them to go to parties so they don't have to walk," sophomore Ronnie Warden said. "So there would just be a lot of drunk people riding

It is still uncertain whether or not SU will install Social

"There are a lot of unique factors that come into play with this program," Gibson said. "The program will be a for-profit program run by College Scooters here in Salisbury, therefore it is not something that can be voted on by the SGA. The proposing parties simply came to the SGA so we can measure student opinions and willingness to participate in the program. However, if student responsiveness is positive, the program would probably have to be approved by some sort of legislative board on campus that is above the SGA."

Proposers of the program hope that Social Bicycles on SU could be available as early as the fall of 2015.

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### Bee, Bird and Bat Box Building at high school by students

BY MADELINE KELSEY Staff Writer

The Salisbury University Environmental Stu-

provide habitat to several species native to the easy project." eastern shore including Mason Bees, Little Wildlife boxes provide shelter to animals that Outdoor Discovery Center the ESA hopes to professor Reema Persad-Clem. Brown Bats and several bird species.

Myers, a workshop attendee.

ery Center.

"We wanted to do this just to start getting dents Association hosted its first Wildlife people doing something and doing it outside," Habitat Boxes workshop of the semester at said Charles Simms, an SU student that is lead- "And for it to work were going to need SU stuthe Environmental Studies house on Sept. 8. ing the project. "I went home one day and dents to volunteer at Bennett and help the kids professors incorporated the project into their This workshop is part of a larger project to made a bee box and it took 15 minutes, it's an make the boxes."

struggle to find a natural home in commercial assist the Lower Shore Land Trust in creating "It seemed like a good learning experience" and residential areas that typically have mini- a pollinator garden at Pemberton Park in Sal- students were able to make three bat boxes and I like working with wood," said Jacob mal tree cover, according to the National isbury. Wildlife Federation.

The ESA builders are creating and arranging These species offer a variety of benefits to something that continues on and doesn't end material kits so that 100 Bennett High School the community, including pest management up dying out," Simms said.

"I'd really like to see this project become were put up around the Salisbury area.

students can build and paint 25 wildlife boxes and increased pollination of native species. The project began taking form in the spring and hang them at the Hazel Outdoor Discov- According to the U.S. Department of Interior, of 2014 when Simms started researching naa single little brown bat can catch 600 mos- tive bee habitats. After looking up the blueprints and building a bee box at home, he took "It's an important project," Simms said. the idea to the ESA.

courses, including environmental studies pro-After the boxes have been hung at the Hazel fessor James Hatley and biological sciences

These classes along with the SU Green floor and over twenty bee boxes, some of which

## SU students get inspired for possible new club by Ocean



At the Ocean City bike week riders could enjoy concerts, entertainment, stunt teams, exhibitors, free city bus, and sponsor discounts.

#### BY MEGAN NEWCOMER Staff Writer

Ocean City, Maryland held its annual Bike some incredible memories." Week on Sept. 11-14 and as bikers from all presence of motorcycles on campus.

sophomore Jake Ennerfelt said.

Although many students on campus have campus community. motorcycles, either on campus or at home, the university has no club for it as other uni- would have to meet with SU's Student Govversities do.

Park, students can be a part of Terps Mo- liability and risk management concerns, subtorcycle Club, where riders can take group mit online paperwork, complete a reading at rides to go on trips and learn how to do bike an SGA forum, turn in the club's constitumaintenance. The club also offers a chance tion to SGA before the second reading, and for non-riders to learn riding techniques and complete a second reading at another SGA aide in getting road licenses, as well as help-forum. ing to find good, low cost motorcycles, ac- To create specifically a motorcycle club on cording to their website.

comer, a past member of this club, said that members to stay if the rides would be there was no fee to join the club and mem- overnight, fundraise, plan meetings and find bers only had to pay for the trips they wanted a garage for students to work on and store to go on. Most of the time, riders would go bikes as well as arrange for someone to look for day trips but occasionally they would go after it. for longer trips at Deals Gaps, Summit "I think it'd be a lot of fun. It's a great way Ridge, or the West Virginia Mountains.

"I would absolutely encourage other Steven Rishell said.

schools to start a motorcycle club." New. comer said. "It's a great opportunity to meet other riders, make great friends, and create

In order to qualify as a registered student over the East Coast drove past Salisbury Uni- organization on SU's campus, leaders would versity, students began thinking about the have to find a minimum of 10 SU students to join initially, find an advisor who is a full time "I would join a [motorcycle] club and I faculty or staff member at SU, and have a know a lot of people that would as well," mission for the club that represents the club's benefits to the greater good of the Salisbury

Once these requirements were met, leaders ernment Association Vice President to dis-At the University of Maryland College cuss the recognition process and discuss

campus, leaders would have to plan group Former UMD student Matthew New- rides and make arrangements for places for

to learn about bikes and safety," freshman

# City's bike week



POLICE

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their cell phones.

Rommel said that in the surveillance video that everyone

was calm until the officer ran to tackle the student. "In one of the videos you can hear me saying that I'm not resisting, and then you can see them throwing me down," Guthrie said. "Everyone in the front row was getting hit with a baton so that people would back up, even though no one was putting up a fight or resisting."

In Geleta's cell phone video, he said that he was "kneed in the stomach" while he was just trying to "walk away" and that he did not know why he was being arrested and was not read

"Two cops were being aggressive trying to put cuffs on me and throwing me to the ground, and even after I was taken down I wasn't resisting but a third cop who came over was pushing his knee into my head" Guthrie said.

Rommel said he had offered to attempt to resolve this case "quietly and confidentially" through Alternative Dispute Resolution and sent a letter to Mayor Jim Ireton about it in August asking to "work it out." After getting no response to the letter or other attempts to contact, Rommel filed suit on Sept.

"There's been a pattern of misconduct, in my opinion, involving how the city police interact with Salisbury University students," said Rommel. "I feel there has been some disproportionate enforcement of minor offense violations against the students."

In the other case being filed, 15-year-old RM and his aunt AF were arrested, also by Aita on Aug. 11. The names of RM and AF have not been released in order to protect the pri-

RM was stopped by Aita for riding his bike with no headlight at about 9 p.m. When Aita began questioning him, RM gave the officer a false name for fear of getting into trouble, according to Rommel.

Rommel said that Aita then patted RM down but found no weapons or anything unlawful but then began to handcuff

"The officer chases after him, catches him, assaults him really, really bad," Rommel said. "It's actually described in his police report. He admittedly punches and kicks him. It is bad, and he was handcuffed at the time that all this was happening. The force wasn't necessary."

According to Rommel, at the time of the arrest RM's aunt was driving as she happened to see what was happening from a distance and she was reminded of what had happened to Michael Brown in Ferguson, Mo. because this was during the same time. As she got closer, she noticed this was her

AF pulled into the car dealership on Rt.13 where the altercation was occurring and according to Rommel, her first instinct was to tell him to stop because she doesn't want him to get shot. He does that."

Aita then admittedly grabbed her hair and threw her to the "She was arrested as well for reasons that I don't know,"

Rommel said.

Neither party knew of the other's case until recently, according to Rommel.

The students from SU faced their criminal charges yesterday, and RM and his aunt still must face their criminal charges in local court, then both parties will go to federal court for their civil cases against the SPD and Aita.



Rommel submitted photo

(All photos) RM came out of the altrication with Officer Aita with multiple cuts and bruises on his arms, leg, and face, that

In May when Adams, Guthrie and Geleta were arrested, they appeared before the SU judiciary committee but were found not guilty of breaking the SU code of conduct after watching the videos and hearing the story from the students,"

Rommel said that he does not believe that Aita's actions reflect upon other officers of the SPD, "but the fact that the Salisbury Police Department has backed this guy, encouraged this guy, continued to support this guy, taken no meaningful disciplinary action against this guy to me is troubling because Cheyenne Powell said. "They are always friendly, so I feel they he's going to do it again if he hasn't already."

"We have no comment on the criminal cases or cases that have been filed by Mr. Rommel," Ireton said, and denied a request for an interview with the SPD.

Rommel said that he hopes to get a "culture change" out action taken against the officer. Adams said that he would like to "set an example and prove the point across it will cause a rebellion."

"I would like this officer to be inconvenienced because we

were all really inconvenienced," said Guthrie. "What he did was wrong and even if he was trying to protect himself, ior Martin Petrillo said. there's a fine line he can't cross."

in feeling as if they have been treated unfairly, but students

on campus seem to have mixed opinions on the SPD. "I've never had any problems with them," sophomore wrong, I'm okay then."





would be very helpful if I ever encountered a problem that I needed them to help me with."

"They are extremely rude when it comes to parties, if they politely asked to stop the party I'm sure they would take it too far," said one underage student. "Someone got tasered of the civil suits, while Adams and Guthrie would like to see last semester. They yell at everyone in the house. I understand it's illegal but being rude and scaring people like that won't get

"The main problem that has been going on recently is that they have been arresting owners of the house who are having parties which is absolutely overboard in my opinion," sen-

"There are one or two officers that are very friendly with Rommel said that almost on a weekly basis, students come the students, but all in all I think they have to stay neutral for their job," junior Lee Matthews said. "I mean me personally, I am indifferent to the SPD. As long as I do not do anything









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EDITORIAL



I think that he should go to jail and not be allowed to play in the NFL again. There should definitely be more of a penalty than just a suspension. - Kaitlan Collins, freshman



He should probably get 2 or 3 years of jail time, and maybe a fine as well. - Joseph Clayton,



He should be arrested, have to pay He should get maybe 5 years in I think that people look up to fines and be suspended, but he should be allowed to play football again in the future. People make mistakes, he's only human. -Melissa Schonberger, freshman



jail and a fine. What he did is his Ray Rice. I do think that he default and something like that can serves punishment because that behavior is not good for other people to admire. - Sam

Pincus, sophomore

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#### How low can they go?



BY EMMANUEL ATUFU Staff Writer

Who protects your rights to privacy in your own home? The U.S. Constitution, the Bill of Rights, or is it the Government?

The Constitution contains no

expressed right to privacy. The Bill of Rights protects against certain rights to privacy. The First Amendment protects your freedom of speech and privacy of beliefs. The Third Amendment protects privacy of your home against unlawful quartering of soldiers. The Fifth Amendment protects you against self-incrimination and privacy of personal information. And if you're hoping for the Govern-

ment to save the day, good luck with that. The debate over drones and rights to privacy is heating up. These arguments are spurred by the emergence of news stories of regular citizens and celebrities, like Rihanna and Miley Cyrus, being spied on by private, remote-controlled drones, in the comfort of their own homes. And here's the kicker, it's perfectly legal. So don't even bother

reporting to the police, they can't help you. Drones are becoming more commonplace nowadays. You can purchase an unmanned aerial vehicle(UAV) and fly it with your smartphone. It's simple and easy to use and is gaining popularity within the U.S. In fact, the Federal Aviation Administraseizures in the case of probable tion(FAA) estimated in a report that there could be 7500 civilian hobbyist drones in use within

plagued with issues of privacy and safety. The air is a public domain, meaning it belongs to no one. If you bought a house, you can't claim the airspace above it as

yours and force anything that

five years. However, drones are

goes over it for your permission before flying over. If that were to happen, aviation would cease to exist. But there has to be some sort of protection for the public against the immoral use of drones, right!? No, not really.

The FAA does have guidelines

in place to supercede recreational drone usage. All drone users must follow the FAA Advisory Circular 91-57 guideline. The gist of it is to operate away from populated areas(like schools), don't fly over 400 feet above ground and avoid other aerial objects(like helicopters). Most users disregard these rules and fly anyways because no one will notice

There needs to be regulations on drones. But how would the regulations work and how would it be enforced?

FAA regulations are expected in 2015 integrating drones into U.S. airspace. In the meantime, people are flying their drones willy-nilly and for whatever puroses under the assumption that

it's legal The FAA controls all airspace from the ground up. It's just that the emergence of remote-controlled drones and the issues over privacy and safety has forced the FAA's hand and so they must now implement laws governing airspace for recreational drone

There should be no debate over invasion of privacy. Drones violate the privacy of the public. Users can hover over a person's house, taking pictures and videos and post it on Youtube. The paparazzi have begun using it to spy on celebrities. The police could use the same technology to inspect someone's house if they have reasonable suspicion of illegal activity, since the Fourth Amendment only covers arrests and unreasonable searches and

In a nutshell, anyone can use drones for their personal agenda and get away with it because technically it's legal and not breaking any laws. But as privacy issues hover, so will the debate and need for regulations of

### Horrible Habits



On Monday, Sept. 10th, a video of the Raven's running back, Ray Rice, hitting his then fiance, Janay Rice, surfaced. This incident, which occurred six months ago, is just one of many violent acts seen from NFL players recently.

San Francisco 49er Ray McDonald was arrested in August for domestic violence; Carolina Panther Greg Hardy was arrested this summer for assaulting his former girlfriend; and Minnesota Viking A.J. Jefferson was arrested in November for domestic

There are many issues to consider with the Rice incident: should he have been suspended? Is this a public or private matter? Why is a domestic violence case involving a NFL football player more news-worthy than other domestic violence cases? And most importantly, why are violent acts more prevalent among athletes?

Rice has made statements that he and Janay are in counseling and that he regrets his actions. His now wife, has made it clear she wants the media to stop scrutinizing their personal life, which is causing her to relive that

terrible moment. Ray Rice is a public figure and therefore his actions are held to a higher standard. With this event now in the public eye, we are given the opportunity to address the bigger issue of domestic violence and its relationship to athletes. With attention turned to the bigger picture, this young couple can be left to address

this incident in a private manner. Violent acts from athletes are not confined to the NFL. What is more disturbing is we see these incidents among high school and collegiate athletes too. According to the National Coalition Against Violent Athletes, in a three year study it was found that although student athletes make up 3 percent of the college

population, they make up 19 percent of sexual assaults and 35 percent of domestic assaults and they commit one in three college sexual assaults. As these athletes move onto profes-

have been 713 arrests of NFL players since 2000 with 85 of these arrests being for domestic violence. These statistics lead us to believe there is a correlation between sports and violence, but what causes this correlation and how can we solve this

athletes have come from areas of lower socioeconomics. These low-income areas tend to include violent upbringings. Alcohol, which can cause violence to escalate, is also a problem since binge drinking is more

of entitlement that goes with athfeel powerful and invincible to the point that if anyone, male or female, times violently, challenge their oppo-

Although more research is needed

What we need is better intervention programs and educational tools that, can help deal with aggression, anger and alcohol. Our society focuses more on preventing any type of underage drinking rather than teaching

Sports players are the center of big social scenes that involve alcohol and it's important that these players engage in these activities in a healthy

Mostly, we need to stop putting athletes on such a pedestal. We can cheer, for them at the games but when we praise them off the fields this entitled mentality grows. The Rice incident should be an example for younger

athletes, teachers and coaches. Rather than focusing on violence



be hard to prevent on a larger

scale. - Anthony Ajegwu, sopho-

Staff Writer

ations with violence. They are prothat all football players cannot control their on-field aggression off the

people to drink responsibly.

that has already happened, we need to look forward to prevent it in the



BY JAMIE POTTER

sional teams, the violence continues. According to USA Today, there

A possible relation is that many big

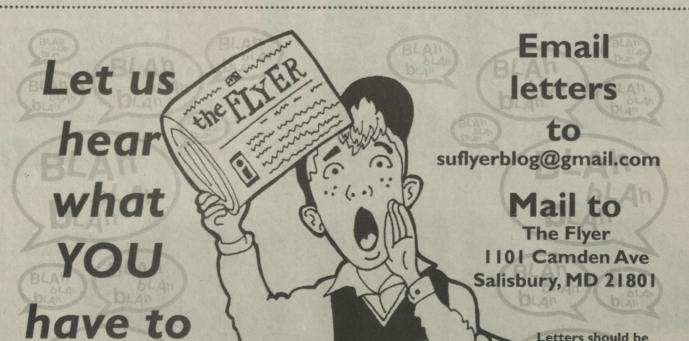
common among athletes. Most significantly there is the sense letes. We glorify them and make them defies them they will quickly, and at

in this area, some believe that those that take part continuously in violent sports most likely react faster to situgrammed to do so. This isn't to say field but with alcohol involved and their honor on the line things can easily get out of hand.

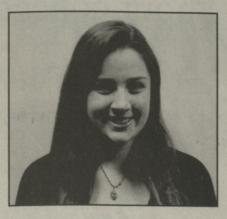
way to grow healthy habits.

Letters should be

no longer than 400



### Booty, appreciate it



Booty booty booty booty rockin' everywhere

BY BECKY MILLER Staff Writer

Campaigns, on the internet and otherwise, against model starvation have done nothing to stop the continued extreme uses of photoshop in the media and the tabloids twisting of pictures into depictions of creatures with human likeness, but this is not reality and is melding the minds of young girls into ones of selfloathing and criticism. This dangerous path leads down a steep and treacherous

one has started the journey.

Luckily, this summer there has been an states that she's "got a big fat ass." intense surge of girl power in the music industry, lending a helping hand to girls everywhere. After last summer's catchy, but demeaning songs, written and performed by Robin Thicke and friends, I

Through the venues of Nicki Minaj's "Anaconda" and breakout artist Meghan Trainor's "All About That Bass," the glory of booty has been resurrected in a posi-

feel I am not alone in saying it is about

In both compositions, the women recognize and have learned to appreciate their own natural beauty and embracing the fun in life. There is a focus on appreciating booty both in the words of the songs themselves and in the choreography of the accompanying music videos. This is portrayed with an emphasis of booty work in Anaconda and body-shaping hand gestures in "All About That Bass." Also, objects in last year's music videos, this still a step away from success. True acboth of the music videos pertaining to these pieces feature the modern twerk, a dance that those who are lacking a sub-

phasize the assets featured in their music obvious thoughts were not rewarded as it is closer that it has ever been before.

stantial backside usually find difficult.

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road that is not easy to climb back up once videos quite explicitly; Meghan talks about Nicki slaps away his hand when he at-"bringing booty back" and Nicki proudly tempts to touch the glory of her bodacious booty. Similarly, Meghan's video features a man playing the role of Ken to her unconventional Barbie. Like Drake, his role is insignificant as the men are simply a pawn.

This convention is a slight setback in gender relations and equality, but taking into account last year's extreme objectification of women throughout both videos and lyrics, it can be viewed as a retaliation against last year's actions as well as an execution of women's rights to be equal to

While both songs have aforementioned positive tributes, the artists do refer to those of a more slender body type as "skinny bitches," invoking a negative attitude towards those that do not look exactly like themselves. While this is a natural reaction when one looks at how girls of larger body types have been As retribution for women being used as treated in the media, it leaves pop culture year's videos instead feature men in more ceptance is treating all body types with stationary positions. In "Anaconda," Nicki equal reverence and understanding that treats Drake to a lap dance resulting in fa- each and every one is beautiful, sexy and cial expressions that indicate Drake was magnificent in its own way. Society may Within their lyrics, these artists also em- having an existential experience. Drake's not quite understand this concept yet, but

### Scottish Independence debate



BY DANIEL SHIELDS Staff Writer

"Should Scotland be an independent coun-

This is the question that the people of Scotland will be asked on Thursday when they go to the polls in the Independence Referendum. The vote will determine whether Scotland remains a part of the United Kingdom alongside England, Northern Ireland and Wales, or will separate and become a stand-alone country in

its own right. A 'Yes' vote will end the Treaty of Union which was signed in 1707 to combine the Kingdoms of England and Wales with the Kingdom

of Scotland. The debate consists of two sides: Yes Scotland: the pro independence campaign looking to break away from the United Kingdom, and Better Together: the cross party group campaigning for Scotland to remain part of the

With the latest opinion polls showing that the two sides are almost completely tied across the country, the vote is sure to be a closely run

Yes, Scotland argues that their decisions are best made by the people that live and work in Scotland and that this can only be fully achieved by leaving the United Kingdom. The current political system in the UK is such that the winners of UK elections do not necessarily have to win the most votes in Scotland.

This has caused much disharmony amongst Scots and led to Scotland voting in favour of their own parliament in 1997. The Scottish Government currently has full power over education, health, sport, housing, tourism and much of its transport from its headquarters in

However, matters which are still decided upon on behalf of the United Kingdom at the Houses of Parliament in London include defense, welfare policies, energy and immigration.

Crucially, the UK Government has the final say on how much money is given to the Scottish Government as part of its annual budget.

On the other hand, the Better Together campaign is spreading the message that as part of the UK, Scotland benefits from the best of both worlds – a devolved Scottish Government as well as the safety and security of being part of a wider United Kingdom.

Pro-union campaigners have also voiced concerns over the risks involved with independence. The concerns have been mostly of a financial nature, with uncertainty over Scottish use of the British pound a forerunner in the

A large number of voters in Scotland feel that the Better Together campaign has been inherently negative in nature, focusing too much on the negatives of independence instead of looking at the positives of the United King-

The Yes Campaign has been credited with creating a positive, progressive vision for Scotland's future separate from the United Kingdom. Critics say that this vision is not possible and that the financial implications are too great for it to be feasible.

A major mistake made by onlookers in the Scottish referendum is that it is anti-English or anti-British in nature, but it is neither of the two. The pro-independence campaign argues that it is about being pro-Scottish and is about tepping away from the out of date political systems the UK currently employs. If the Yes campaign is 'anti' anything, then it is 'anti-

A surprising factor in the debate is the distinct lack of a contingency plan put in place by the UK Government in the event of a 'yes' vote. Only recently has support for Scottish independence exceeded the support for remaining part of the United Kingdom. It is only since the publication of an opinion poll this month placing Yes ahead of Better Together that the UK Government have acted to inter-

As with politics in any country across the world, there is much uncertainty in the future of Scotland after a 'Yes' vote to independence. It is this uncertainty that may push voters towards rejecting independence.

What can be said with certainty is that this debate has brought real-life politics back to the forefront of conversations in households, schools and workplaces across the country. Regardless of the result on Sept. 18, it is imposible to turn a blind-eye to the discontent flooding from Scotland in the direction of the British political system.

## Tuned In

Reviews of Fall's newest TV shows This week: 'Z Nation Premiere'



BY CHRIS KRAUSS Editorial Editor

What happens when you take one of television's biggest series, "The Walking Dead," and mix it with bad acting, a lower budget, a mediocre premise and high ex-

pectations? "Z Nation" happens. The SyFy channel decided recently to jump onto the zombie apocalypse bandwagon that's been all too popular over the past few years with "Z Nation." The storyline isn't especially unique, but seeing as how its part of a rinse-and-repeat genre, that wasn't too terribly surprising. At the core, the story is about a group of strangers who meet up with a member of an elite military task force who is transporting to California, man's last hope:

Murphy, a human cure. From the start of the 43 minute show, you can get the gist of the action-horrorsometimes comedic tone that "Z Nation" is attempting to set. It opens with the world in a state of apocalypse, zombies have overrun the world. More specifically for the sake of the show, they have overrun America and killed the president, most of the government and has forced humanity to retreat to the confines of various human-created safehouses.

Fast forward three years and we are introduced to Hammond, that elite member of the military task force, who is attempting to evacuate a military compound that has been working on a cure. Not afraid to delve into darker territories early on, the show has the people in the compound administering cure "attempts" to various criminals who had been in

prison at the time of the outbreak. Obviously, due to the show taking place three years after the outbreak, the military has been unsuccessful in its endeavors.

That is until now.

A criminal named Murphy gets injected and then when the compound is overrun, gets bitten a dozen times by a swarm of

a brain eating bag of flesh because of the miraculous cure. From here it is assumed that Hammond and Murphy manage to escape together

zombies, but he manages avoid becoming

somehow, but it's never actually shown. Now I don't want to give away much more of the story in case anyone reading this has found the show completely intriguing from my meager description. However, the rest of the show follows another group of people who run into the questing Hammond who is still escorting Murphy. This leads to a wide array of unlikely events, including a bus full of zombie children, an abandoned baby and

self into a cage for two days. The major problem that show is probably going to be facing, though, has nothing to do with the show itself. It's the fact that so many other TV shows and movies have done the zombie genre, and the award winning "The Walking Dead" is pushing its fifth season on TV, forcing "Z

incredibly idiotic teenage girl locking her-

off and possibly a lower priority choice. Other smaller problems that plague the show is the smaller budget, which lead to decent looking zombies and decent looking special effects. But when zombies are the key component to the show, decent

Nation" to seem like a sideshow knock

just doesn't cut it. Then there is the acting that, while not atrocious, only offers some relief from the generic cookie cutter story that the show is trying to implement.

On the plus side, the action sequences, especially the scene involving one of the wandering group members, Garnett, is exquisitely well done. The show manages to utilize slow motion and well choreographed action sequences incredibly well. If you do watch the show, it will be for these scenes in particular.

Overall, "Z Nation" doesn't seem too impressive with its premiere episode and leaves you with literally no questions to be answered except how will they get Murphy to California. Well executed action scenes couldn't save this show from being

just another zombie show. The Flyer gives the "Z Nation" pre-

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### Random Roommates: Best or worst things about college?

BY JESSICA GOODELL Staff Writer

When incoming freshmen are asked what

they have listed leaving home, harder classes point during their college careers. Sometimes could not get any worse. and the dreaded random roommate.

Random roommates are something that get along, maybe even hang out regularly, their roommates:

they are most afraid of about going to college many students have experience with at some while other times the situation seems like it

the pairing works out well and the roommates Here are some SU student experiences with

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"I LOOKED AT HER FACEBOOK. I KNOW YOU'RE NOT SUPPOSED TO JUDGE SOMEONE BASED ON HOW THEY LOOK BUT I KNEW IT WAS GOING TO BE TROUBLE"

"I'll get along with her for the sake of the room. But we're not going to be friends."

### SU student, Russo, designs album cover

BY RACHEL TAYLOR Gull Life Editor

While traveling through Europe this past May with the Seagulls' field hockey team, sophomore Kate Russo did not expect to find a job doing something she loves.

During an evening out in Edinburgh, Scotland, the team stopped by a local pub and got the chance to see One Last Secret, a Scottish band, and met them after their set. Russo, a guitarist herself, posted on Instagram about One Last Secret and lead singer Wesley Scott saw it and kept in touch with

"When we went on her Instagram we were blown away with her art work," Scott said. "Especially as the majority was of it was of Paul McCartney, our hero."

Russo, who is a graphic design major, has been sketching and illustrating since elementary school. One of her favorite subjects to draw is Paul McCartney. Scott and OLS were impressed by her illustration and he went on to ask for a drawing of himself, she did just

"When we went on her {Kate Russo's} Instagram we were blown away with her art work. Especially as the majority was of it was of Paul McCartney, our hero."

- Wesley Scott, lead singer

With the upcoming release of their debut album, OLS, decided they wanted something the album and let Kate know," Scott said. new and different for the album art. After looking through her drawings OLS decided her to have as much freedom to do what she to commission Russo for the job.

"When it came to getting a cover for the album we were making we wanted some- and inlay art for the album.

"Long story short he loved the sketch of music." himself and asked if I had the time and

tions were different and eye catching to with their rebranding.

the drawings would move."



(Top) From left to right, Liam McNamara, Wesley Scott, Darran James and Fraser McBride make up Scottish rock band, One Last Secret. (Bottom) Scott and Russo collaborate about the album's cover art in Newark, New Jersey.

Even though OLS has been together for a couple of years, a management problem stalled them from breaking out onto the music scene. With a few changes, OLS decided it was time for a change and that would reflect in their new album.

"We finally picked 'Restart' as the title of "Apart from a couple of pointers, we wanted wanted with the artwork."

Russo constructed a cover, booklet, CD

thing new for us," Scott said. "So we asked "I think of my style as more cartoony than Kate; we might have pleaded if she'd said anything," Russo said. "But for the album artwork I went for a more minimalistic, sil-Luckily she didn't pass up the opportunity. houette type approach to compliment the

With a number one hit on the Scottish would be interested in doing the art for their New Music Charts for their song, Light It first album," Russo said. "And I said yes." Up, and their debut album coming out this The cartoon-like style of Russo's illustra- fall, OLS is thankful that Russo helped them

'We're forever grateful for her hard work "It reminded us of animated film cells," and devoted time," Scott said. "We just hope Scott said. "You can actually imagine how she remembers us when Paul McCartney wants her for his next album cover."



# A home away from home

Sea Gulls flock from near and far, but find ways to make campus feel like home

BY VIRGINIA O'ROURKE Staff Writer

Salisbury University is the home of many di- thing. Vitone, along with many other students, verse students whom all come from different have to miss things that go on at home because backgrounds and different homes. According of where home is. to the SU profile, there are 63 countries and 31 Kirk Markward is a junior who is from Bowie, the students that attend, 13.1 percent of them a good distance in his eyes. are from out of state.

they know that this will be their new home. For emergency I could go home," Markward said. some people it can be as close as 15 minutes, 

Even though distance is not that far he does but for others it can be as far as a plane ride. still miss being with his family. Students choose SU for all different reasons; "The amount that I go home varies depend-

"The amount that I go home varies depending what is going on with my family; for example this semester I am going home for my brother's birthday and then for my cousin's wedding."

- Kirk Markward, junior

Sam Vitone is a sophomore here at Salisbury Mitrecic who works at Lombardi's in Ocean University and she lives four hours away in Pine City and has ever since she was a little girl. Brook, New Jersey.

worst part," Vitone said.

Vitone goes home twice a semester or someis far from home she has not gotten homesick love going home because then I get to see my since the beginning of her freshman year.

closer to home," Vitone said.

people, and it still limits Vitone from being they all have a somewhat different college ex-"Being that I am four hours away I do feel as how far away from home you are as long as you

for my family's parties or family get togethers." When you go to a school that is relatively close to home you can go home for a brother's football games or a sister's play. Yet, when your home is farther away from school it is not always possible for you to go home for every-

states and territories represented at SU. Out of Md., which is about two hours away, seems like

"I like the distance, it's far enough to say that When students choose SU as their college I'm away but close enough that if there was an

sometimes distance is an issue and other times ing what is going on with my family; for example this semester I am going home for my brother's birthday and then for my cousin's wedding," Markward said.

> Since he has a car he doesn't have to miss any big family events at home. Even though he doesn't miss out on the big things, he, like other college students, miss out on family dinners and the small things.

> Ocean City Maryland, which is only about 45 minutes away. "One of the best parts about living so close

Maddi Mitrecic is a sophomore and lives in

to home is that I get to work every weekend so I never have to experience being a broke college student," Mitrecic said. Being away at college can be hard when it

Some people may assume that she is getting a "The drive to Salisbury and back home is the different college experience because she is

comes to money. That is not a problem for

closer to home, but she disagrees. "Even though I go home I do not feel as Since she doesn't have a car here she gets home ing the week and sometimes on Friday nights by riding the Greyhound Bus. Even though she so I can see my friends," Mitrecic said. "I also

"It would have been easier if I went to school After completing a year at SU, Mitrecic would not choose to go to a school further away.

Being away from home is hard for a lot of Even though students are very different and perience, many still enjoy it. It does not matter though I miss things at home, I can't go home feel that SU is your home.

### Student Health

Using food to fuel your workout

BY MEGAN MAHEDY

Along with sleeping and eating well, exercising is one of the fundamental aspects to optimal health. With free access to a gym seven days a week, college is a great opportunity to take the time to look and feel your best.

Yet, what if the key to a successful workout was not that expensive and sugar-laden protein powder, but food? The food you eat plays a major role in how you feel during your performance and how quickly your body repairs itself and builds muscle.

> Eating complex carbohydrates prior to a strenuous workout will supply your body with the fast-acting energy the body needs during physical activity to give you the strength to finish your workout without feeling tired half-way through. For optimal results, it is important to eat them at least 30-45 minutes before your workout.

Eating complex carbohydrates prior to a strenuous workout will supply your body with the fast-acting energy the body needs during physical activity to give you the strength to finish your workout without feeling tired halfway through. For optimal results, it is important to eat them at least 30-45 minutes before your workout. Some excellent sources of complex carbohydrates include: sweet potatoes, squash, carrots and apples.

After a workout, eat foods that contain a lot of protein. Protein helps supply muscles with the supportive materials needed to restore and rebuild themselves, after being broken down during strenuous exercise. Try to eat a protein rich meal within 30-45 minutes after your workout as this time span is when your muscles need it the most. Some examples of protein rich sources include: fish, nuts, beans, seeds and meat.

Staying hydrated before, during and after your workout is essential. Carrying around a water bottle can help to ensure consistent hydration throughout the day. Drinking water during a workout rehydrates your body from fluid loss due to perspiration and also helps your body maintain electrolyte balance post workout. Drinking water helps to flush out the lactic acid muscles produce during exercise and helps to prevent soreness the following day. Coconut water is another fantastic option as it naturally contains electrolytes and does not have added, processed sugar. It is also naturally high in the vitamins and minerals your body needs daily to function properly, such as potassium and magnesium.

Remember to fuel your body using carbohydrates during your workout, proteins after your workout, and water throughout. In order to get noticeable results, is not only important what you put into your workout, but also what you put into your body.

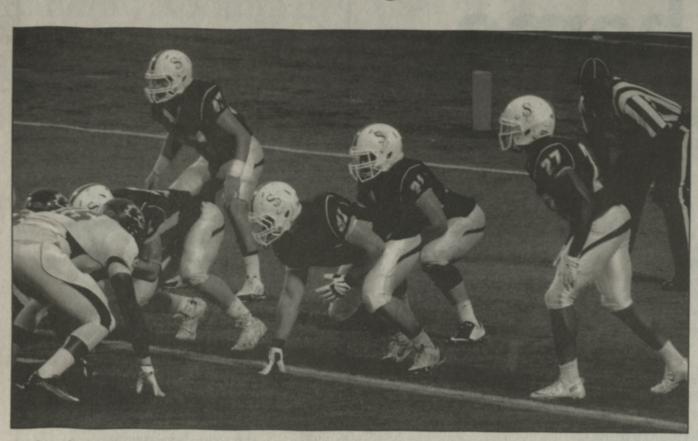
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### Gulls crushed by Wolverines

SPORTS



The Sea Gulls defense prepares for a goal-line stand against the Wolverines

BY NICK DIMATTEO Staff Writer

Saturday night against Wesley, but after a team play the way we played tonight." three-and-out the Wolverines took posses-

mentum going, failing to reach the end zone bury's 24:54. even once. The Sea Gulls found their few Junior quarterback John Dunbar led the especially in his younger players. points via field goal and safety.

managing six yards through the air.

"Wesley was a superior football team; we didn't bring our A-game and we weren't in-The Salisbury University football team re-tense," Sea Gulls Head Coach Sherman the Wesley punter's head. ceived the opening kickoff of the game on Wood said. "I have never seen my football

ultimately blowing the Sea Gulls out in their on Saturday. Mistakes piled up as Salisbury yards. Gulls struggled to move the ball against tain drives a and hold the ball as Wesley had John Fisher College. Wesley's defense, and could not get any mo- 35:06 possession time compared to Salis- Coach Wood was still able to find a few

Sea Gulls with 79 rushing yards while sophon offense to Wesley's 480. The Sea Gulls scores was Zak Osborne, who kicked a field especially some of the young guys." passing game was non-existent as well, only goal in the second quarter after Dunbar

The "Couch Gang" backs men's soccer

took off for a 60-yard gain, and a team safety gave Salisbury two points late in the fourth quarter after a bad snap went over

Salisbury's punter, senior pre-season All-American Kyle Hamby, set a career-high Wesley now holds a 10-game winning with eight punts in the game for a 43.4-yard sion and began to bring the hammer down, streak over the Sea Gulls after their victory average; three of them being more than 50

turned the ball over three times, including The Sea Gulls have started better than last The loss on Saturday dropped the Sea two fumbles and an interception in addition season's 0-2 start, and have a bye week to re-Gulls to 1-1 on the season, as they were de- to going 1-for-12 on third down conver- cover from the loss to Wesley before emfeated 43-5 by the Wolverines. The Sea sions. Salisbury's offense was unable to sus-barking on trips to Buffalo State and St.

positives from the blowout defeat though,

"We had the opportunity to see some The Sea Gulls only converted five first omore Aarron Moore chipped in 51 yards other kids play," Wood said. "We kept playdowns and amassed just a total of 179 yards on the ground. Providing the Sea Gulls' ing and I thought our kids kept playing hard



Momentum carries and picks them up

Staff Writer

tory of the program.

This game proved to be one that was truly about who could hold the momentum.

But how does one gain the momentum? It's not necessarily who has the ball at the moment, but rather, which team has the ball and does the most with it. Momentum in volleyball comes out of positive attitudes, enthusiasm for the game, great plays and cheering. However, momentum can swing and plunge a team in seconds.

> keep it. We take the as a unit."

> > - Turco

Usually you can see the momentum in the way people are reacting to each play. Those that may be losing, but continue to stay upbeat hold the momentum and those that are winning and excited about it hold the momentum. Those that are winning but expect to win may hold momentum in the beginning, but can slowly lose their grip.

Similar to what happened in the game against Johns Hopkins; the Sea Gulls had the momentum in the first set and lost it for the next two sets. What is amazing about these girls though, is that they came back and fought until the end. Never once did they just give up and let John Hopkins take their win away from them. They stayed up-

The fourth set was where the Sea Gulls' Sea Gulls work for it.

"We got together, decided to pick it up

#### The Weekly Dig



the Sea Gulls to another victory after losses

BY MEGAN NEWCOMER

Another win for the Salisbury University volleyball team went into the books last Tuesday night as the Sea Gulls defeated John Hopkins, 3-2, to further their record 9-0 giving them their best start in the his-

"Volleyball is a game of momentum," Turco said. "When we have it, we want to keep it. We take the momentum and play as a unit."

"Volleyball is a game of momentum. When we have it, we want to momentum and play

fight came in. Johns Hopkins had a few exceptional hitters-all of which hit awkwardly and were hard to read. Volleyball is a game on anticipation and if you can't read your hitters, your defense will not succeed. Moreover, Johns Hopkins was scrappy, picking up almost everything that the Sea Gulls put over the net. They didn't let them have this win easily though and made the

The Salisbury girls pulled through in the fourth set, taking the game to five sets. Of course it was an exceptionally competitive set, considering this was the last opportunity for either side to win, and in this one every girl fought. Everyone wanted the momentum, and no one really had it until the score was 12-12. It was then that Salisbury took control of the game. With every point they got, we got one, until the score was 15-14, before Salisbury put the ball away to end the night with a 16-14 win.

and focus," sophomore outside hitter Shannon Russell said. "After that we kept each other up and elevated."

The Sea Gulls had to pick each other up after Friday, when they lost their first two matches of the season at the UMass Boston Invite. Losing 3-1 and 3-0 on Friday night to Mass.-Boston and Williams, respectively, the Sea Gulls rebounded on Saturday with two wins over Western Conn. St. and Middlebury, bringing their record to 11-2 on the season.

### Salisbury Sharks top UMBC in home opener

BRANDON WOODROFFE Staff Writer

rugby team won their first conference broke out between a few players. game of the season over the University of Maryland Baltimore County team," Wheeler said. "[Problems] are this past Saturday at home.

It was a close game throughout the "We don't want to see it, but that's first half but the Sharks (2-0) were what happens; it's the nature or the able to widen the margin thanks to game." some late tries and ended the game The injury bug took its toll on one on top with a 29-17 win. Sharks' Cap- of the Sharks key players, Pat Multain John Capobianco felt good lens, who left the game early in the about how the game went for his first half with an ankle injury and did

can always tune up."

ductive afternoon, scoring three tries on Sept. 27 on the road against the for the Sharks, including one early in Georgetown University Hoyas. The the second half that broke up the match-up is personal for a few of the game and gave the Sharks a lead.

backs," Capobianco said. "Scotty is last season, losing 8-9. really good at breaking the line and up a lot of holes for us to score."

The game became a little more intense throughout the second half with a little more pushing and shov-The Salisbury Sharks men's club ing, and even a little bit of a scuffle

> "They're a really big, physical going to happen sometimes.

"It was a good, solid win for us," "It was a big loss for us to lose that Capobianco said. "It felt good being guy," Wheeler said. "But we had to out there and I think there were some move on, we always say 'next man up' great things going on and some we and we used our substitutes to our advantage and it worked well for us."

Captain Scott Wheeler had a pro- The Sharks take to the field again players, as the Hoyas handed the "It was a good mix of forwards and Sharks their first loss of the spring

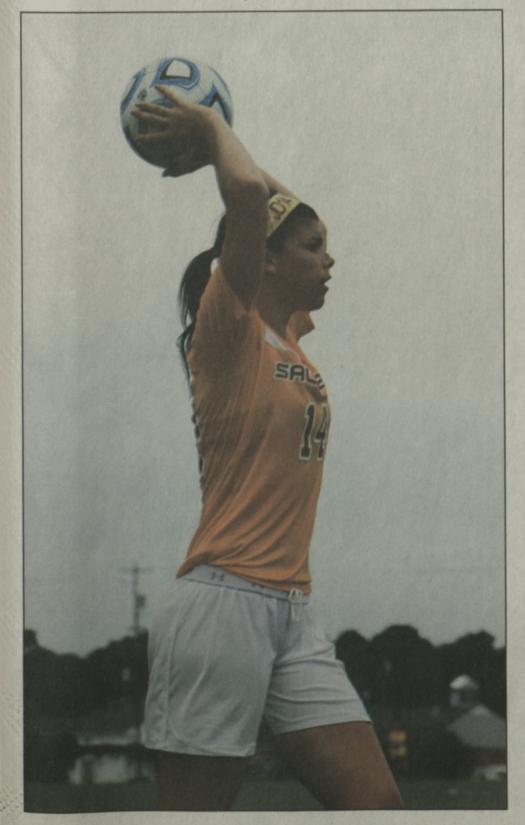
The Sharks will return home on hitting them with pace, which opened Oct.11 after a two-game road trip to



aboe: Salisbury battles with UMBC, keeping possesion alive with a pitch right: The Sharks prepare to catch the throw in



### Women's soccer falls in home opener



above: Junior Forward Jenna DeLetto prepares for a throw-in right: Freshman midfielder Ruthie Lucas looks ahead for an open shot

DIAMOND HOLTON Staff Writer

cer Complex.

The Sea Gulls (1-3-2) fought hard more shots from the Sea Gulls. against Messiah early on in the first half, Jenny Gavigan blasted a ball towards the the ball off too much."

shot on-target the whole game.

Fellow juniors Logan O'Meara and paper. Heather Deamond, along with freshman

landing on target; three of them getting

past Sea Gulls' senior goalkeeper Michelle Conrad for goals.

Conrad played all 90 minutes of the con-The weather on Saturday added to the test, grabbing six saves and getting some gloomy day in Salisbury for the women's help from her defenders, including junior soccer team as they fell to No. 3 Messiah back Tabitha Brown. Conrad believed Sal-College 3-0 at the Salisbury University Soc- isbury wasn't aggressive enough on the offensive end and wanted to see

"From practice, we incorporated our but trailed 1-0 at the end. There were mul-flank players down line and sending long tiple scoring attacks and chances for Salis- diagonal ball passes across the field," Conbury, perhaps the best one coming in the rad said. "We just need to take advantage 15th minute when sophomore midfielder in our scoring opportunities; I felt we gave

Messiah goal to only see it sailing over the While the Sea Gulls ended last season with a 10-6-4 record and made it to the Junior forward Victoria Luc had a chance CAC semifinals, this season is starting off minutes later, but her shot attempt was slow with a 1-3-2 record. Head Coach blocked by Messiah's keeper, Audra Lar- Kwame Lloyd is in his second season and son. It would stand as the Sea Gull's only sees this team being just as anxious as last year's squad, despite the numbers on

"We're off to a tough start, but we're midfielder Ruthie Lucas, each had their hungry," Lloyd said. "We're going to go chance at scoring as well but were unsuc- after each team and play well. It's going to be a good year."

Salisbury totaled seven shots in the The Sea Gulls will look to rebound from game, while Messiah on the other end the loss today when they travel south to racked up 12 shots with nine of them take on Virginia Wesleyan College at 7 p.m.



## BY RICKY POLLITT

University that support may just be what watch their friends go to work. makes the Sea Gulls a powerhouse in "Couch Gang! That's what it is," sophothe lady Sea Gulls. NCAA Division III athletics.

The men's soccer team jogs off after a victory against North Carolina Wesleyan

Entering the stadium, one could hear the ops.

for coming out to sporting events and sup-Athletes all around the world have been porting their peers on the field. During other teams showed up to voice their supknown for supporting each other when it soccer games, the guys bring a couch port. Earlier in the day women's soccer saw comes to sports games, and at Salisbury where many of the lacrosse players sit and the football, men's basketball, and men's

more midfielder Andrew Ternahan said. On Saturday, the men's soccer team took The "Couch Gang" would constantly yell for them," said Krause. "Their presence at on North Carolina Wesleyan for a chance and cheer for the men's soccer team as our games helps us out, so we like to reto earn their fourth win of the season. they battled the rain and the Battling Bishturn the favor."

screams of the players, or the instructions During the second half, Salisbury tied lacrosse team somewhere on the side rootof the coaches being shouted out, but one the game up and ended up forcing overing for their friends in maroon and gold. thing that no one could miss was the noise time. In OT, Krause, Ternahan and Davis During basketball season, the team has from the men's lacrosse team. Despite the Anderson, a junior midfielder, started to "Costume Night" which takes place durdownpour of rain, several members of the pump the players and fans up, and get the ing every basketball game. Outfits such as

"It's Gull pride," said Knute Krause, sen- In double-overtime, sophomore Brad the players. ior defender on the lacrosse team. "Most Martinelli found the back of the net to "Tve got Spongebob coming this year, of the athletes at Salisbury are friends, so give Salisbury the win over Wesleyan. The so look out for that," Ternahan said with a

port each other." Krause and the lacrosse team are famous athletes.

team came out to support their friends on victory the Sea Gulls so desperately Teletubbies and alligator hunters have al-

it is important we all come out and sup- Sea Gulls had done it, thanks to teamwork smile on his face.

and support from their fans and fellow Men's soccer wasn't the only sport where

soccer teams on the sideline rooting for "They come out for us, so we come out

Almost any sports event can find the ready been some popular choices among



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